

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph at page 18, lines 8-20, with the following replacement paragraph:

Polyclonal antibodies to a purified protein or peptide fragment thereof can generally be raised in animals by multiple subcutaneous (sc) or intraperitoneal (ip) injections of an appropriate immunogen, such as the extracellular domain of the protein, and an adjuvant. A polyclonal antisera can be produced, for example, as described in Lindsten, T. *et al.* (1993) *J. Immunol.* 151:3489-3499. In an illustrative embodiment, animals are typically immunized against the immunogenic protein, peptide or derivative by combining about ~~1 μ g to 1 g~~ 1 mg to 1mg of protein with Freund's complete adjuvant and injecting the solution intradermally at multiple sites. One month later the animals are boosted with 1/5 to 1/10 the original amount of immunogen in Freund's complete adjuvant (or other suitable adjuvant) by subcutaneous injection at multiple sites. Seven to 14 days later, the animals are bled and the serum is assayed for anti-protein or peptide titer (e.g., by ELISA). Animals are boosted until the titer plateaus. Also, aggregating agents such as alum can be used to enhance the immune response.